

# Probe of Parental Opinion Wins Backing

A unique questionnaire on parental attitudes, to be used as part of a survey on parental opinion and attitude, has been approved for distribution by the Torrance Board of Education.

Board members voted to authorize distribution of the survey on a 3-2 vote after a motion to delay action for two weeks failed.

Bert M. Lynn told his colleagues on the board some questions would aggravate parents and suggested "we crawl before we walk." Lynn suggest-

ed that half a dozen parents be given the questionnaire first to determine their reaction to it.

Dr. Louis Kaplan, assistant superintendent for special services, told the board the questionnaire is strictly voluntary and is mailed directly to UCLA after it is completed. They are identified by numbers, so names are held in strict confidence.

As part of the total survey, a series of meetings will be held with parents in the district. The meetings will be conducted by district personnel who have been attending training sessions at UCLA.

The parent counseling sessions are being supervised by Dr. Merville C. Shaw and Dr. John K. Tuel of the Western Regional Center of the Inter-professional Commission on Pupil Personnel Services at UCLA.

Mrs. Kenneth E. Watts complained the questionnaires were not given to the board in time to study them. "I'm not prepared to vote with the information I have now," Mrs. Watts said. She moved for a two-week delay, a motion that failed on a 3-2 vote. Dr. Kurt Shery said he had read the question-

naire and found nothing "to which I would object as a parent."

After Dr. Kaplan explained the timing of the study—a delay would throw the entire program off the time schedule, he said—the board approved the questionnaire. Dr. Shery, Albert Charles, and William Hanson voted for the motion, while Mrs. Watts and Lynn opposed it.

Cover letters attached to the questionnaire will explain the study and advise to parents that they may answer any or all of the questions.

## A Penny for your Thoughts

At Rolling Hills Theater early this week, the Pennies Photographer asked several ladies, "Who has the more important role in raising children—the mother or the father?"

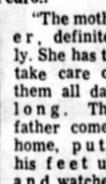
Mrs. Ellen Daggett, 237 W. 236th Pl.:

"The mother, because she spends more time with the children. She constantly is with them until they are able and old enough to go to school and it is she who takes care of most of their needs."



Mrs. Caroline Lufkin, 1372 21st St., San Pedro:

"The mother, definitely. She has to take care of them all day long. The father comes home, puts his feet up and watches TV. When a child is hurt or scared he always calls for his mother."



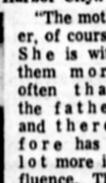
Mrs. Richard Baglio, 24828 Oak St., Lomita:

"I think that both the mother and father are just as equal and as important. Marriage is an equal partnership and the parents should work together in raising the children. This makes for a more happy home."



Mrs. Viola Olszewski, 1404 W. 257th St., Harbor City:

"The mother, of course. She is with them more often than the father and therefore has a lot more influence. The mother gets most of the dirty work to do like cleaning up after them."



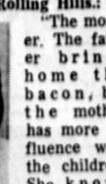
Mrs. Mary Campbell, 25828 S. Walnut, Lomita:

"Both parents are just as equal and as important. They must work with each other in caring for the child and teaching it good manners. They should be a team and before making any important decisions about the child's training they should talk it over."



Mrs. Shirley Nelson, 42 Pony Lane, Rolling Hills:

"The mother. The father brings home the bacon, but the mother has more influence with the children. She knows them better because she is around them more often."



## Women to Attend Weekend Retreat

Some 50 women from Christ the King Lutheran Church, 2706 W. 182nd St., will attend a retreat at Forest Home Conference Ground beginning Friday.



**REALTOR LEADERS . . .** New officers elected to serve the Torrance-Lomita Board of Realtors are: Mary F. Toombs, lower left, secretary; Albert Z. England, president; R. D. (Bill) McEwen, treasurer; Charles Pecora, top left, third vice president; George Hanback, second vice president; and Jack Waters, first vice president.

## Realty Board Will Install New Officers

Dinner installation of the Torrance-Lomita Board of Realtor officers will be held at the Pen and Quill Restaurant Nov. 20, according to Dell Wright, outgoing president.

New board panel includes Albert Z. England, president; Jack Waters, first vice president; George Hanback, second vice president; Charles Pecora, third vice president; Mary F. Toombs, secretary, and R. D. (Bill) McEwen, treasurer.

Elected to serve as directors were Jerry Alter, Roy Holloman, Don Shaw, and Robert Yost.

England, a member of the board since 1955, is past exalted ruler of San Pedro Elks Lodge No. 966 and past commander of the Merchant Marine Post of American Legion.

Prior to entering the real estate field, England served as assistant editor of the "Daily Shipping Guide" for 10 years and was associated with the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce staff and Page Publishing Co. of Los Angeles.

## Seeks Typists

The Volunteer Bureau of the South Bay Harbor area is seeking typists and clerical assistants. Many local agencies periodically need additional office help.

More information is available by calling Mrs. Brown at TE 3-5227 Monday, Wednesday or Friday morning.



**HONORED . . .** Receiving recognition for service as office volunteers of the American Cancer Society are, from left, Mrs. Thomas Davis of Torrance, Mrs. Gertrude Stenson, and Mrs. William Bennett. The gold pin awards were presented at the American Cancer Society Centinela Valley-South Bay annual recognition luncheon which was attended by many local volunteers.

## UCLA Scholarship Chairman Appointed

New chairman of the Torrance, San Pedro and Palos Verdes district of the UCLA Alumni Scholarship Committee is I. W. Alcantara of 2119 Mendon Drive, San Pedro.

Frank Tennant, general chairman of the scholarship program, made the appointment. Alcantara is now organizing a committee of local residents who will award \$250 and \$400 scholarships to outstanding high school seniors planning to enter UCLA next September.

The committee will select applicants from the following high schools: Torrance, North, South, West, Bannings, San Pedro; Mary Star of the Sea, Narbonne, Chadwick, Marymount, Palos Verdes, Rolling Hills, Fermin Lasuen, Bishop Montgomery, and Carson.

UCLA alumni interested in working on the local committee may contact Alcantara at his home address or by telephoning TE 1-6363.

## Ann Landers Says

# Grey is Flattering To Middle-Aged Face

Dear Ann Landers: I'm sneaking this letter into the mailbox because I don't want my wife to know I'm writing to you. Please don't double-cross me by printing the name of this city. I'd never hear the last of it.

When I married Hilda (not her real name) she was a stunner. She had a nice shape and her hair was like gold. I'm not complaining that she has gotten fleshy because the fact is I've put on a few pounds myself. But I wish she would quit trying to keep her hair the same color it was 40 years ago.

Hilda doesn't realize that golden curls on a woman her age look brassy and artificial. When I suggested that she let nature take its course she said, "What — and look

like your mother? Do you think I'm crazy?"

Maybe you can get to her. Ann. Please try.—IN COGNITO

Dear Cog: It's surprising how many bright women don't know when to change the gold for silver.

Grey hair actually flatters a middle-aged face because it softens the lines. Some dolls would look years younger if they gave up already.

Dear Ann Landers: I go with a real neat kid whose real name is not Bruce but I will call him that. Bruce plays football and is now a senior. The problem is that he goes to a rival school. The feeling between our schools is very bad. The highlight of the season is the game when Bruce's school plays my school. The whole town goes wild.

Well, last year my school beat Bruce's school and he was so mad at me (like it was MY fault) that he didn't call for nine days. When he finally decided to phone he was very nasty and we got into a big fight which resulted in another nine days of no speaking.

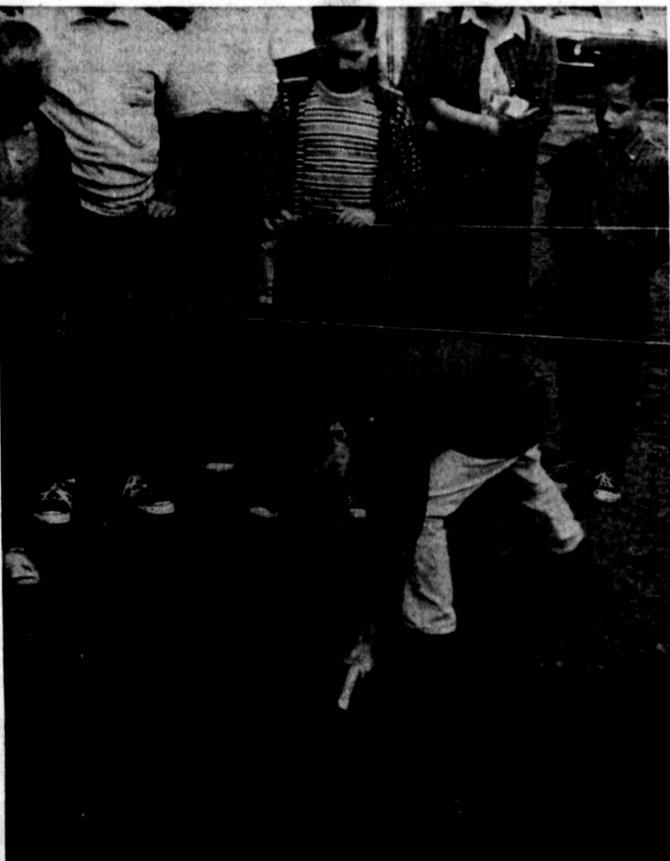
I'm afraid the same thing will happen again this year. What can I do to keep peace?—THROWN FOR A LOSS

Dear Thrown: Bench Bruce for the duration of the football season and go with basketball players. And tell the big baby that if he doesn't grow up he may never get back on your team.

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**CAVE DIGGER . . .** Nine-year-old Don Richardson was one of scores of young YMCA boosters to try his hand at "groundbreaking" at the annual Good Neighbor Breakfast Saturday. Here Don digs in at the site at which it is calculated the "Cave" will be located in the new YMCA building on Sepulveda Boulevard near Maple Avenue. Actual construction will probably start after the first of next year. (Press-Herald Photo)

## Parents Lend Hand Riviera School Program Wins Praise from Staff

Teacher aides—parent volunteers who take part of the clerical load off the teacher's shoulders—are expanding their ranks.

Begun by Riviera School parents in Torrance two years ago under the guidance of Robert Allen, principal, the teacher aide project has attracted interest from three other Torrance schools. Parents at Seaside, Victor and Parkway Schools have been looking into how the program works.

Plans call for beginning the teacher aide program later this year at Seaside; and Victor School has already put the gears in motion.

In its two years at Riviera the program has expanded from a picture-clipping service for bulletin boards two years ago to the point where parents are compiling attendance records, typing monthly menus, and preparing flash cards. The program has grown from a once-a-month operation to a weekly workshop.

EACH MONDAY, Mrs. Wallace Peterson, PTA teacher aide chairman, picks up the week's assignments from Allen's office, and recruits the personnel necessary to perform the particular needs for that week. On Wednesday afternoons, mothers, typewriters, art supplies and coffee pots are rounded up in the cafeteria for a three-hour workshop session, directed by the committee chairman.

Teachers submit their assignments directly to the principal, who deals with the chairman. There is no direct contact between teachers and parents.

"The teacher does the initial planning. We do the mechanical end—the carrying

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**AUTO QUEEN . . .** Sheila Leighton will reign over the Los Angeles International Auto Show, to be held at the Pan Pacific Auditorium Oct. 23 through Nov. 1. This year's theme is "America the Beautiful." The Auto Show is sponsored by the Los Angeles Motor Car Dealers Association.

## Principals Elect New Officers

Members of the Torrance Elementary School Principal's Association have elected Robert Allen, principal of Riviera School, as president of the organization for the 1964-65 year.

William Forrest and Donald Credell will serve as first and second vice presidents of the group. Other executive officers elected include: John McGee, secretary, and Philip Korman, treasurer.

Committee chairmen for the new year are: Richard Brown, professional relations; George Marich, in-service; Stanley Roberts, legislative; Victor Kilburn, social; Mrs. Geneva Shelton, public relations; Donald Mullaney, awards; Dr. Dale Coogan, salary, and Lester Foster, membership.

## COUNT MARCO SAYS

# Blaming 'Other Woman' Is Ducking the Issue

One of those biased, one-sided women's magazines presented a problem from one of its readers and her solution of it. What she resolved was no solution but a complete tragedy.

The complainant's husband had left her and the children for another woman. Now, this is not at all an unusual situation today. It's about as common as divorce.

As many husbands do, after a period of a few months (six months are usually average), he got the other woman out of his system and pleaded for permission to return.

Did she, like any sensible woman, permit him to do so? She said flatly, "No!"

Let's analyze this little woe of hers. She said she saw no reason for his leaving.

But through her own admission she took stock of herself and in her own words said, "I put in some effort on my long-neglected apartment, fresh curtains, flow-

ers in the vases, a new slipcover for a chair."

She thus admits she was a sloppy housekeeper.

"Finally, I got a job," she continued. "New friends, new interests, and a knowledge that I could take care of myself and the children without his being around."

That kind of thinking is fatal. If during her marriage she had cultivated new friends and new interests, she probably could have been a much more interesting person.

The tragic thing is, the magazine's editors leave the reader thinking that a permanent breakup is the only solution to such a problem.

I say "Not so." There is another solution, the only one. Take him back and be grateful he asked to come back.

Now do something about yourself before another woman tantalizes him enough to leave.